POSITION DESCRIPTION SOUTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY READINESS PROGRAM -FAMILY SPONSORSHIP REPRESENTATIVE-

(Volunteer Position) Revised: 2/2013

I. <u>Description.</u> A Family Sponsorship Representative is a statutory volunteer serving in an official capacity in direct support of the Service Member & Family Support – Family Readiness Program. The Family Sponsorship Program is reaching out to new families and welcoming them to the unit. It may be a phone call, letter, or visit.

For further guidance/support contact Family Readiness at 605-737-6089/737-6310/357-2970 or email ng.sd.sdarng.list.frsa@mail.mil

II. <u>Chain of Command/Concern.</u> Unit Family Readiness Group Lead Volunteer, Unit Commander, Family Readiness Support Assistant.

III. Qualifications.

- A. Believe in and supports the Family Readiness Program and knowledge of unit structure
- B. Good telephone / communication skills.
- C. Enthusiastic people person.
- D. Positive attitude.
- E. Maintains confidentiality and privacy.
- F. Willing and able to take appropriate training for the position and update periodically
- G. Complete volunteer application process

IV. Major Responsibilities.

- A. Coordinates with FRG Lead Volunteer or Unit Family Readiness Representative (military member) to get names and contact information for incoming Families, new to the unit.
- B. Prepares a welcome letter to new Family members with unit and FRG information, places with sponsorship packet received from your Family Readiness Support Assistant and mails to new families.
- C. Calls new Family members to welcome them to the unit and invite them to upcoming FRG events and activities.
- D. Directs those families who have questions or concerns to appropriate resources or to the unit or State Family Assistance Center at 1-800-658-3930 depending on the question or need.
 - E. Reports any problems, concerns or questions from Family members to the FRG Leader.
- F. Checks to ensure necessary follow up is completed for those Families requesting information or requiring assistance.
- G. Documents Family contact in unit commander's Family Readiness Binder on Family Sponsorship Documentation sheet.